

SHAKER WOODS

Shaker Woods Homeowners Association

Minutes for the Annual Meeting

October 24, 2017

Armstrong Elementary School

The SWHoA president, Konrad Huppi, opened the meeting by welcoming residents with a summary of the agenda and a report of the significant events of the past year. He emphasized that the community has seen a large turnover of residents (8% or 16/199 homes) in the past year due to retirement and resettlement of actually original owners, as the Shaker Woods neighborhood was built in 1984-1987. Sales have been good with prices as high as \$880K and contracts are seen usually within 1-7 days on the market. One of the things the ARC has noticed as well is an increase in the desire to update or renovate homes with additions or simply changes in style or content. Following the president's remarks, the chair of the ARC, Jim Norman discussed the application process and the ARC philosophy towards renovations. It was also announced that the gas pipeline was officially completed and the equipment would be removed shortly from the neighborhood. With the completion of the pipeline, we now must look to resurfacing the roads in the Shaker Woods community including those affected by the pipeline installation (Gilman and Shaker) and others (Southington, Pellow Circle, Shaker Woods Rd., Auburn Grove and Deer Forest). Richard Barbieri and Steve Doyle volunteered to head up the project to contact VDOT regarding road resurfacing. With the large turnover of residents, there is an effort to update the neighborhood directory. This is being addressed by Neil Cohen with installation of a password protected directory on the website. Projects regarding the renovation of the entrances to Shaker Woods were discussed. Deer Forest underwent a large-scale overhaul as Reston Association declined to perform work a few years back as a result of budgetary problems. Stimulated by interest from the Friends of Deer Forest (with a generous donation to Shaker Woods), the SWHOA has taken the lead to perform the landscaping needs at the entrance including tree removal, removal of invasive plants and the planting of new bushes and plants on both sides of the entrance. Updated landscaping needed at the entrances to Southington, Shaker and Gilman is anticipated to be completed shortly. Finally, there was discussion concerning the

Shaker Woods park and prospective trails behind the Water treatment plant. A meeting with residents of Shaker Woods and neighboring communities as well as the Fairfax County Park and Water treatment plant will be scheduled to address the Park Master plan and the construction of new trails. Finally, the newly elected board members, Gary Timm and George Belt were announced with 76/199 (38%) ballots having been returned. The meeting was adjourned at 9PM.